

Includes rare copy of early newspaper

LSUS archives additions made

By Garrett Stearns

Five additions to the LSUS Archives Collection have recently been made, according to Hubert Humphreys, coordinator of archives, and Malcolm G. Parker, director of the library where the archives are housed.

The material includes the only known 1912 issue of *The Caucasian*, an early Shreveport newspaper; two bound volumes of the *Daily Progress* and the *Daily Southwest*, also rare copies of early Shreveport dailies; the complete editions of the Louisiana newspaper *Progress*; records of the Red River Valley Association; and additional material to the Garber "big band era" collection.

Donation by LSUS staff members

The *Caucasian* Oct. 20, 1912 issue was donated for microfilming by Evelyn J. Verduin, secretary to the dean of the LSUS College of Liberal Arts, and Martha J. Burt, secretary to the chairman of the department of foreign languages at LSUS. The sisters presented the paper from the records of the later Percy R. Johnson Sr., their father. The businessman and civic leader was a member of one of the early families of the Shreveport area. "The *Caucasian*" was published three times a week in Shreveport from 1899 to 1923.

The bound editions of the *Daily Progress* date from March 8 to June 30 in 1899 and the *Daily Southwest* editions date from May 1871 through Sept. 12, 1871.

"These editions were purchased out of private funds," said Humphreys. He added that "they were located through the efforts of Mr. Parker in the library."

Parker announced "the acquisition of *Progress*, Huey P. Long's political newspaper, which was published in Hammond, La. from 1930 to 1940." The complete series has been microfilmed for the archives collections.

Association's records added

Records of the Red River Valley Association were also added. "The association is a group of prominent citizens, businessmen, public officials and representatives of the U.S. Corps of Engineers who meet together once a year in Shreveport; they review ideas about the development of the Red River such as navigation, bank stabilization, subsidiary drainage and lake projects. We have acquired their organizational papers that depict the association's history," Humphreys explained.

Additional material to the Garber collection, which was started last year, was donated by Mr. & Mrs. Jan Garber of Shreveport. "The material covers the era of the big bands," stated Humphreys.

Concerning the new archival material Humphreys said, "All of these additions to the LSUS Archives Collection make a valuable contribution to a researcher working in social and economic history."



The only known issue in 1912 of *The Caucasian*, an early Shreveport newspaper, is shown by Evelyn J. Verduin and Martha J. Burt, secretaries in the College of Liberal Arts. They recently donated the rare copy to be microfilmed for the LSUS Archives Collection. In the background are pictures of Shreveport in the early 1900s. (photo: Irvin Schueler)

Campus discussion
on SGA election

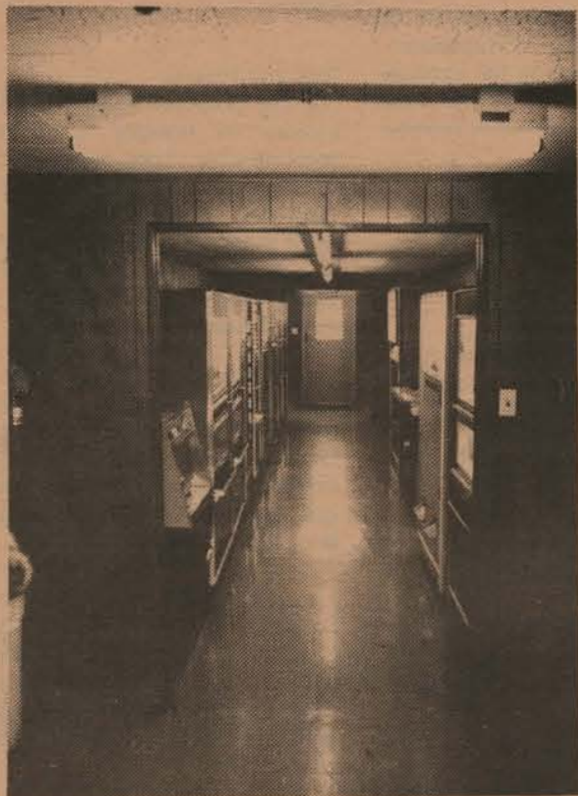
A campus-wide discussion concerning the forthcoming Student Government Association (SGA) elections is planned next Wednesday at noon in the Science Lecture Auditorium.

SGA candidates will be given the opportunity to express their campaign platforms, according to SGA president Tony Sanders. A question and answer period will follow.

Candidates for president are: James M. Standor, Billy G. Lyons, Preston R. Friedley, Dubba Hermes, Reid Miller and Mark Graham.

Candidates for vice president are: Paul Akers, John Meier, Tim Hardy and Randy Chaffee.

The election will be held April 9-10 for day students and April 7-10 for night students.



"Let there be light," and with a flip of a switch in the "Snack Shack" there is, although it may not be totally safe, as one SGA senator recently pointed out. Helen Leritte, a College of Business senator, told the senate Friday of an incident where one of the lights was broken and gave minor cuts to a student. Further observation revealed that none of the fluorescent lights had protective shields. With her recommendation, the senate passed a resolution asking the administration for such light shields. (photo: Irvin Schueler)

Senate undecided on issue

By Randy Griffith

A resolution intending to keep documents not considered by the Student Government Association (SGA) from being presented in the group's name erupted into a lengthy debate at Friday's senate meeting.

The resolution, introduced by senators Sandra Beck and Shirley Maraman, took up about half of the meeting and resulted in the calling of a special meeting for Monday.

The purpose of the bill, according to Maraman, was "just to keep the senate informed." However, at least one senator, Dubba Hermes, believed the intention was different.

"It was introduced by the same group that has been out all year long to try and get the president," he said, referring to SGA President Tony Sanders.

"The implicit idea behind the whole thing is, 'we are out to get him.'"

Debate gets vigorous

Beck responded in emotional tones, saying the purpose "was not to shaft Tony Sanders. I dislike the inference because it's not true."

Hermes later said he believed there were several students "who are against anything Tony does," although he declined to name them. Sanders would make no comment concerning the controversy.

Although the debate was at times, vigorous, it appeared that most senators were in agreement with the idea of the bill. They could not agree on the extent of the bill.

After being bogged down in a parliamentary procedure, the resolution was finally placed in the rules committee for study, mainly through the urging of senator Helen Leritte.

Other bills passed

Three other bills passed the senate Monday with no controversy; two without opposition.

One bill, sponsored by Richard Dancy, authorized a \$200 donation to the LSUS Placement Office. The bill passed unanimously. However, at press time, Sanders said the donation had been rejected by Chancellor Donald E. Shipp because it was illegal. The chancellor assured him, Sanders added, that the money would be made available.

Also, Robert Freeman and Dancy were selected as delegates to a student legal rights conference at the University of Southwestern Louisiana this weekend. Sanders also indicated he planned to go.

The senate also authorized \$80 for moving expenses of voting machines to be used in the SGA elections.

In other action, the senate heard a report from Tim Hardy concerning a trip to Texas A&M he and five other senators took the week of Oct. 28, 1974.

Formal report not given

Hardy explained there had been no formal report given because the group had never met to write one. All the material from the trip "disappeared" when Sam Welborn, the chairman of the group, left school.

Hardy proposed the formation of a "super-committee" to be known as the Extracurricular Activities Council, to encompass all other committees relating to campus organizations and activities.

This plan, Hardy contends, would bring "more coordination and manpower" into school activities, as well as "excluding politics." He also suggested an awards system for students participating in various events.

Sanders gives report

In his report to the senate, Sanders said he had met with a representative of the Faculty Council about more student representation on faculty committees. Sanders added that he was preparing just such a proposal and will present it to the Faculty Council and senate.

The proposal will ask for "significant changes" in the number of students on most committees, according to Sanders. "It is my understanding that if we have any problems, most of them will come from the administration rather than the faculty."

The Faculty Council consists of all full-time members of the academic staff. It meets at least once a year at the call of the chancellor. The council is involved in matters relating to the establishment of curricula, the fixing of standards of instruction and generally the formation of the educational policy of LSUS.

See Almagest library survey inside

Are longer hours needed at LSUS library?

By Keenan Gingles

In recent weeks there has been a growing concern on the part of students regarding LSUS library hours.

Many students complain that the library's weekend hours are not sufficient to meet their needs. Both the administration and the library staff is aware of the problem, and Chancellor Shipp has said he would look into the matter.

The wheels of bureaucracy tend to turn slowly on this campus when student proposals are aired, and the administration's ready answer always seems to be, "We'll look into the matter, but we don't feel the need exists at this time."

Students, for the most part, are patient and trust their administrators to meet their needs. Whether or not the needs are truly satisfied remains to be seen, one specific instance being the library.

Both the chancellor and Malcolm Parker, LSUS library director, concur in their belief that the library is operating the maximum number of hours it can with the present number of employees — seven librarians and 12 part-time student workers. Furthermore, they also believe the library is adequately meeting the needs of the students. While we agree that the library is open an adequate number of hours on weekdays, the *Almagest* and many students believe the three hours of the Sunday operation are not sufficient.

On weekends, LSUS students have one library available to them on Sundays, besides the

limited three hours of the LSUS library. The Centenary library is open from 2 - 10 p. m. every Sunday.

Besides its Sunday operations, the Centenary library is open Saturdays from 1 p. m. — 5 p. m., while the LSUS library is closed. The Shreve Memorial Library is open Saturdays from 9 a. m. until 6 p. m. In addition, the Centenary Library is open during the weekdays a comparable number of hours with our's.

Centenary is able to operate its large number hours during the week and during the weekends because they require only one librarian, on duty

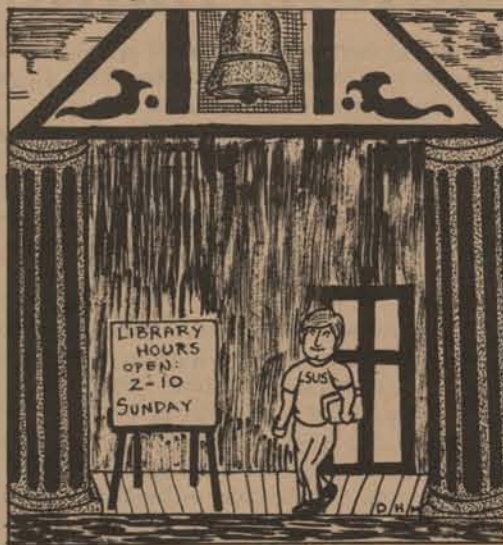
at various times, who is aided by two student workers. LSUS's library, on the other hand, requires two librarians — one in circulation and another in the reference department — on duty at all times.

With seven full-time librarians, this requirement, coupled with a shortage of student workers, prohibits the library from extending its Sunday operations, according to Mr. Parker. Presently, the library employs 12 students who work an average of 10 hours weekly.

Library hours could be extended on Sunday, we believe, by at least two methods. First, the library should consider hiring an additional full-time or part-time librarian and additional student workers. Getting student workers might be a problem, but it is one which we feel could be overcome. As far as hiring an additional librarian, we have been told that this proposal has not been included in next year's budget. However, perhaps it's not too late to find additional funds.

Secondly, the library could do away with its requirement of having two librarians on duty at all times. It might very well be that one librarian, with the help of additional students, could handle the operation certain weeknights. This would allow the extension of Sunday hours.

These solutions may not be feasible, since LSUS administrators feel there is no need at the present time. In an effort to determine that need, the *Almagest* is conducting a student and faculty survey on page 3. Results of the survey will be announced in our April 11 edition.



Letters to the editor

To the censor,

In reference to my article published in the *Almagest* on March 7, 1975, I want to go on record as saying I am truly appalled at your lack of respect for my civil liberties invested in me by Amendment one of the United States Constitution's Bill of Rights; that is to say, freedom of speech.

You "edited," as you say, over 50 per cent of my original text! "Edited" seems to me to be an euphuistical term for "censored!" With your own personal bias, you have denied my right of free speech and considering LSUS receives monies from the federal government, it seems to me you are "skating over thin ice" as R. Emerson would say.

If your opinions are the only "right" ones, why have a "Letters to the Editor" column? I have an opinion and I have a right to express such an opinion! The only thing "wrong" about the portion of the letter you censored was that it did not agree with your personal philosophy. It was neither libelous nor vulgar; it was just factual. And that is what hurts!

The content of the castrated portion of my letter is of little importance at this point; what is of great importance is the fact that you have lurked into an area of supposedly academic immunity and poisoned my rights — in a seemingly childish burst of frustration — "If you won't play my way, I'll take my toys and go home!"

In the same issue Chancellor Shipp reannounced his "open door" policy, whereby students of this university can have an open channel of communication with the administration. This seems like a marvelous idea, but there is a pin approaching the balloon — the letters will be censored, I mean, edited by your staff! I can picture it now — file number 13 for all suggestions you do not like! This is a serious matter and it has no room for personal prejudices.

In order to safeguard against that, you should make all suggestions not turned over to Dr. Shipp's office available for public inspection. That would give the person who submitted the letter a chance to contest the rejection.

As I sit here comparing the original text of the letter I wrote with the mutated nub that appeared in your newspaper, I cannot help but laugh at the possibility of you "editing" this letter, so that it reads like an application to an unwed mothers' home!

If you insist upon continuing this malfeasance, you could, at least change your title to Emasculator, Mutilator, Abortionist, Exploiter or Lyncher. Then, you can enjoy peace of mind as you strum your balalaika to personae non gratae! Heil Hitler!

E. Michael Hill

(Editor's note: We also were "appalled" at the lack of respect for other racial and ethnic groups exhibited in your letter we received and edited for the March 7 issue. While *Almagest* welcomes letters from its readers—regardless of their viewpoint—we will not run those containing racial and ethnic slurs. Prior to publication, you were asked to submit your views in a more acceptable form and you declined the opportunity. Regarding your letter of this issue, we would like to point out that the *Almagest* is supported solely through state funding and "Open Door" letters are not "censored.")

To the editor:

In the March 7 edition of *Almagest*, Heil Hitler Hill told us about the wonderful joys of Nazism.

In the 1950's the Nazis, Socialists, Communists and the rest of the right-wingers were denounced for their beliefs. In the 1960's the liberals, radicals and such got theirs too. But now,

in the 1970s, it is relatively safe to publicly announce such personal preferences in perverted politics. And I imagine it will remain safe to make such announcements as long as E. Michael Hill and Adolph Hitler don't take over.

I am sure that the Nazi in this reading audience is offended by this tone. To be sure, there is a person who calls himself Nazi, but is only bent towards sadistic stimuli. To him, I can only suggest quit reading. Heil Kissinger!!

Don Hutchinson

All SGA candidates are asked to bring biographical information and platforms to the *Almagest* office, room 328 of the Liberal Arts Building, before Monday. Also, each candidate must make an appointment to have a picture made, also before Monday.

Randy Beach
Contributing Editorialist

When is a serious miscarriage of justice good for the people of a community? When it makes those people mad enough to reform their governmental system. And this may be exactly what will happen in Bossier Parish this year. The failure in the judicial system (one of many in recent years) came when Wayland Nattin, former member of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board and the brother of former mayor George Nattin, was sentenced to one year in prison (a light sentence to begin with) for public bribery.

To make matters worse, the manner in which the sentence would be served was left to the discretion of Sheriff Waggoner. What a surprise to the average citizen when the announcement

was made that Nattin would serve his sentence at night only, while getting credit for a full day! It appears that Sheriff Waggoner has turned the courthouse into a very cheap motel. It's a nice place for Nattin to drop in each night for a few hours of sleep.

Many political observers from throughout the parish believe these actions will light the flame of reform in time for the elections later this year. One member of the Bossier Parish Police Jury said that he thought this black mark would harm every full-time elected official in Benton. Certainly the black mark will not wash off of Sheriff Waggoner and Judge McClendon.

Bits and Pieces:

• The proposed sales tax increase in Bossier City is meeting with strong opposition. Many people claim they cannot trust the city council with any more money, especially when it is not dedicated to any particular thing other than the general fund.

• Senator Don Williamson has apparently decided not to oppose Education Superintendent Louis Michot and will seek reelection to his senate seat. He can expect a challenge from Rep. Jimmy Wilson.

• The latest news from Scopena Plantation is that Charles E. "Buddy" Roemer III will not run for anything this year, which should come as quite a relief to Senator Harold Montgomery.

• Governor Edwin Edwards was assured of having at least one challenger this year when Secretary of State Wade O. Martin, Jr. threw his hat into the ring recently. (The Martin family's ties to the Longs go back to Wade O. Martin, Sr.'s days on the Public Service Commission.)

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Library hours survey

Please complete this form and return it to the **Almagest**, located in room 328 of the Liberal Arts Building.

Check one: Day student — Night student
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Do you think that library hours at LSUS should be extended?
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How many hours do you think the library should be open? Weekdays — Saturday — Sunday —

What time should the library open and close? Weekdays — to —; Saturday — to —; Sunday — to —.

(Forms must be returned to the **Almagest** prior to March 21.)

High school applications being taken

Applications are being accepted from academically superior high school students who wish to enroll in freshman courses at LSUS this summer.

Requirements for applicants include completion of three years of high school with a minimum of twelve and three-fourths units; an over-all "B" average or better in high school work and at least a "B" average in each subject area for which he applies; and a ranking in the upper quartile in standardized placement tests. ACT is preferred, but SAT and others are accepted.

Applications must be approved by the high school principal and submitted along with a high school transcript. The Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs at LSUS will accept applications no later than April 1.

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Judy Ward, Alpha Phi president, Joani Hunt, Zeta Tau Alpha president, and Linda Chance, Tri Delta president are shown from left to right at a reception last Sunday. It was given by Alpha Phi in honor of the national installations of Zeta Tau Alpha and Tri Delta. (photo: Greg Goodwin)

'Open Ear' needs aid

"Open Ear," a telephone intervention service, needs campus organizations to assist with its fund raising campaign, according to Dr. Robert Benefield, assistant professor of psychology.

Benefield said it's time LSUS students "get rid of the notion that it (Open Ear) is a Centenary thing." He said campus sororities, fraternities and

organizations are needed to sell bumper stickers during the April 12 campaign.

Participating organizations will compete against each other and prizes will be offered, according to Benefield.

Any students or organizations interested in helping during the drive may come by Benefield's office, room 214 in the Library Building, or call him at ext. 240.

Programs announced

By Irvin Schueler

A special sign language course and an office administration conference are two new programs forthcoming in March, according to John B. Powell, director of conferences and institutes.

The sign language course — Total Communication Short Course — will be given in room 307 of the Liberal Arts Building each Tuesday from 6:30 to 9:30 p. m., March 18 through May 20.

The course stresses total communication by sign language, and will provide instruction for the beginner and for those who have some knowledge in the field. Emphasis will be placed on signs dealing with school and home — the skills and information especially useful for those who work with deaf persons or who have family members who are deaf. Also, attention will be given to some of the psychological and sociological problems of deafness.

The instructor will be Anne R. Bounds, who has previously taught this course at LSUS, and is presently teaching in Shreveport. A member of Louisiana Association of Deaf and The National Registry of Interpreters of the Deaf, she is a recipient of the "Talking Hands Pin," a highly coveted award given to persons for exceptional service to the deaf community.

The Office Administration

Spring Break Camping

March 22-23: Backpack Caney Creek, Ark. Beautiful forest, wild flowers, rock formations, water falls. Hike and camp.
March 25-26: Red River Canoe Float. Meander on Red River, camp and play on sand bars, beautiful North Louisiana woodlands. Swimmers only! Experienced guide, food, transportation, and equipment provided. For cost and more information call: Kamper's Korner, 3455 W. 70th St. S'port, La. 71108 Ph. 686-7116.

Conference is sponsored by the College of Business Administration, and is the third of an annual series. It will be held on March 24, 1975 from 9:30 to 11 a. m. in the Science Lecture Auditorium.

The conference is designed to acquaint prospective office administration students with the programs offered at LSUS and with the advantages of a college education in preparing for an administrative secretarial career.

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Campus Briefs

Delta Sigma Phi

Delta Sigma Phi, campus fraternity, sponsored a party for 120 children at Holy Angels School March 8. Members and little sisters of the colony provided refreshments; played basketball and danced with the children. The project was financed by members of the fraternity.

Ken Jones ran nonstop Saturday and earned \$178.20 for the Special Olympics, a nation wide olympics for handicapped children.

Recent pledges to Delta Sigma Phi are Tim Hardy and Ken Jones.

Art auction

The second annual Montessori art auction will be tomorrow at 8 p.m. in Pierremont Mall. The J. Richards gallery of Englewood, N.J., will sponsor the auction. A cocktail preview party will begin at 7 p.m.

The collection includes 150 works of art from American, French and Israeli schools. The original oils, frescoes, wall sculptures, enamels and other media range in price from \$25-\$1000, with most pieces listed under \$100.

Free movie

"American Graffiti" will be shown tonight at 7 and 9:30 p.m. in the Science Lecture Auditorium. The Movie is sponsored by the Student Entertainment Committee and will be shown free.

Candidates note

Students wishing to place a SGA campaign ad in the Almagest should contact Almagest Business Manager Phyllis Kline immediately.

New member

LSUS has recently become a regular member of the American Association of Colleges for Teachers Education (AACTE).

With a membership of more than 850 collegiate institutions, AACTE is the only national voluntary association of institutional members committed to continuous improvement of instructional personnel preparation.

Marriage seminar

"After the Sunset Again," a program on marriage and creative divorce, will be presented by Ric Masten in the Science Lecture Auditorium Tuesday at 3 p.m. A guitar concert and poetry reading will follow at 7 p.m. in the All Souls Unitarian-Universalist Church.

Masten has lectured and given concerts in more than 400 colleges and universities in 46 states, Canada and England, as well as serving as a campus poet-in-residence. His wife, Billie Barbara, a former Hollywood actress, will also participate in the program. The presentations are open to the public.

Alpha Phi

Alpha Phi, the first National Panhellenic Organization on campus, hosted a reception for Zeta Tau Alpha and Delta Delta Delta in honor of their attainment of chapter status last Sunday at the Greenway Square Apartments clubroom.

SCEC

The campus chapter of Student Council for Exceptional Children (SCEC) will meet Monday at 5:30 p.m. in room 361 of the Liberal Arts Building. Any special education majors or interested persons are invited to attend. Interested persons may contact Dr. Larry Marshman or Johnnie Burleson at 861-7339.

New exhibit

Students of Don Alexander, assistant professor of fine arts, currently have work on display in the LSUS Art Gallery, room 336 of the Liberal Arts Building.

Projects on display include figure drawing and design. The exhibit will run until spring break.

Biology Club

The Biology Club will meet Thursday at 7 p.m. in room 228 of the Science Building.

Dr. John Mailhes, assistant professor of pediatrics from the Birth Defects Center in Shreveport, will speak on the "Effects of Environmental Agents on Chromosomes."

Shorts in shack

"Hot Ice," starring the Three Stooges, will be shown by the Student Entertainment Committee in the "Snack Shack" Monday at noon.

Women's seminar

An all-day seminar for women, "Stop the World We Want to Get On," will be held Saturday in the Science Lecture Auditorium. Sponsored by the Shreveport Branch of the American Association of University Women, it will offer an opportunity to learn more about developing talents and meeting needs. Discussion groups will be in the morning. In the afternoon, workshops giving women specific ideas on how to achieve their goals will be provided.

Interested persons may contact Mrs. Dale Johnston for more information. Preregistration is preferred, but women may register from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m.

Two attend meetings

Dr. Wayne F. Brown, assistant professor of biological sciences, will be a representative at an LSU System conference of freshman instruction at LSU Baton Rouge today.

Doris Lynch, history instructor, will accompany Y-Teens of the Anna Street YMCA to a black history seminar in Bunkie today through Sunday. Y-Teens throughout the state are expected to attend the seminar, titled "The African Heritage and Negro Past."

Johnny Winter appearing here

By Paula Seago

Johnny Winter, famed rock star-entertainer, will be in concert tonight at the Hirsch Memorial Coliseum at 8 p.m. along with the James Cotton Band.

Tickets, on sale at Stan's Record Shops and the State Fair Office, are \$5 in advance and \$6 the day of the show.

A native of Beaumont, Texas, Winter's first love was the blues. Throughout his career—including a short time at Lamar Technical College, music study in Chicago and six years of touring the South playing whatever audiences wanted to hear—Winter's music has been tinged with bits of blues, such as "Good Morning Little School Girl" and "Mean Mistreater."

Vintage blues

First brought to national attention in 1968 by a "Rolling Stone" article, Winter was described as "a hundred-and-thirty point cross-eyed albino with long fleecy hair, playing some of the gutsiest, fluid blues guitar you ever heard." After his first album, "Johnny Winter," released on Columbia Records, the New York Times described him as a "fountain of vintage blues."

The Johnny Winter band consists of drummer Richard Hughes, a member of the group since Nov. 1972; Randy Hobbs, bass player who began playing in bands at age 5; and a new member, Floyd Radford, an



Johnny Winter will be appearing in concert tonight at 8 p.m. in the Hirsch Memorial Coliseum.

accomplished guitarist and songwriter, formerly a member of Edgar Winter's White Trash.

Latest album given

Winter's latest album, "John Dawson Winter III, represents greater emphasis on the exceptional blues-rock guitar work of the singer. The album features five new compositions by Winter as well as songs written especially for him by such notables as John Lennon.

The warmup group for the concert, the James Cotton Band, is known for high-energy boogie-blues featuring Cotton on the harmonica. The band, recording on Buddah Records label, has hits such as "One More Mile," "I Don't Know," and "Rocket 88."

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